

COUNTRY

Eastern Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Military Information from the Naumburg-Bad Koesen Area.

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 10 to 19 September 1952

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 21 October 1952

REFERENCES 25X1

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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25X1 1. On 14 September 1952, 600 troops with full field equipment including gas masks and light equipment were seen at the engineer summer camp in Bad Koesen (L 52/J 78). The troops launched four infantry attacks with fixed bayonets against a field position and succeeded in penetrating the position. Source had the impression that the exercise had to be repeated four times because of the great confusion. Trucks [REDACTED]

25X1 [REDACTED] hauling heavy bridge planking were seen in the summer camp. On 17 September, a field exercise involving mortars and artillery, partly with live ammunition, was held on Keppelberg between Naumburg and Bad Koesen, with Volkspolizei units playing the part of the aggressor. *

25X1 2. At the beginning of September, about 300 recruits arrived in the Blueder Kaserne, Naumburg (L 52/J 89). They were taken to the photograph shop on trucks [REDACTED] on 10 September. During the period from 10 to 19 September, the troops in the installation drilled with and without rifles. Coal and fire wood was hauled to all barracks installations in the post. **

25X1 3. The owners of apartments on either side of the street on Georgendorf were given notice by municipal authorities. According to a rumor, two generals had recently inspected the street together with the female mayor. The road starts at the Oberlandesgericht building. ***

25X1 * [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED]

25X1 It could only be confirmed that engineer units of the Eighth Gds Army were at the training site. [REDACTED] is a vague indication as to the presence of the 19th Indep Gds Engr Bn of the Eighth Gds Army. The unit was last identified on 22 June 1952 when it was enroute from Dessau to Bad Koesen. [REDACTED]. It is conceivable that the unit has been at Bad Koesen since the last reported period.

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment. No recruit shipments were reported to have arrived from the U.S.S.R. during that period.

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment. The Hq XXIX Gds Mtg Rifle Corps is housed in the Oberlandesgericht building.